(c) The following exploration programme is envisaged in K.G. basin during 1988-89 (RE) and 1989-90 (BE):—

| Activity | Unit | 1988-89 (RE) | 1989-90 (BE) |
|---|---|---|---|
| A. *Onshore :* | | | |
| 1. Seismic Survey | SLK+GLK | 5200 | 4700 |
| 2. Exploratory Drilling : | | | |
| Metreage | ('000) Metres | 41.70 | 56.20 |
| Wells | Number | 15 | 16 |
| B. *Offshore :* | | | |
| 1. Seismic Survey | ('000) LK | 3.0 | 4.5 |
| 2. Exploratory Drilling : | | | |
| Metreage | ('000) Metres | 19.75 | 45.15 |
| Wells | Number | 6 | 17 |

**दो सिलेंडर के कनेक्शन वालों को सैल्फ डिलिवरी देने से इन्कार**

1207. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इंडियन आयल कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड ने हाल में दिल्ली के संघ राज्य क्षेत्र के तरलीकृत पैट्रोलियम गैस (एल पीजी) के वितरकों को विशेषत: उन उपभोक्ताओं को जिनके पास दो सिलेंडर वाले कनैक्शन हैं, सेल्फ डिलीवरी देने को मना किया है, यदि वे पिछली डिलीवरी के 22 दिन के भीतर ही डिलीवरी की मांग करते हैं, जिसके परिणामस्वरूप आम लोगों में आक्रोश भड़क रहा है; और

(ख) यदि भाग (क) का उत्तर "हां" है तो इसके क्या कारण हैं, तथा सरकार इस संबंध में किन उपचारी उपायों का विचार कर रही है ?

**पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री ब्रह्म दत्त) :** (क) और (ख) एल० पी० जी० उपभोक्ताओं को बेहतर सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराने के लिए हाल ही में तेल कंपनियों ने एल० पी० जी० की सप्लाई के बारे में पैसा दो और माल उठाओ की प्रणाली को बन्द कर दिया है। एल०पी० जी० को अप्राधिकृत उपभोक्ताओं के हाथ न जाने के लिए इंडियन आयल कारपोरेशन ने दिल्ली में अस्थायी रूप से यह नीति शुरू की है कि पहली सुपुर्दगी और रिफिल की बुकिंग में 22 दिन का अन्तराल हो। फिर भी उचित मामलों में उपभोक्ता की आवश्यकताओं को जांच करने के पश्चात् कम अन्तराल पर भी एल० पी० जी० की बुकिंग की जाती है।

**Price rise of vehicles**

1208. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prices of all types of vehicles like cars, Bajaj Tempo, Metador, Nishan truck etc. have considerably been increased as

well as the excise duty thereon; etc. since 1st October, 1988 ranging from rupees ten thousand to fifteen thousand;

(h) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) how many times the prices of above mentioned vehicles have been increased after the presentation of the budget for the year 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRl M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (bj Govt, have not increased excise duty leviable on automobiles w.e.f. October 1988. Major manufacturers of passen iger cars such as Maruti Udyog Ltd. Hindustan Motors Ltd., and Frimier Automobile Ltd. have reported that they have not increased th$_e$ price$_s$ of their vehicles sinc$_e$ 1st October, '88. Similarly medium and heavy commer. cial vehicle manufacturers like TELCO and Ashok Leyland have reported no increase in the prices of their vehicles since 1st Oct. '88. In the light' commercial vehicle sector, Allwyn Nissan Ltd. and Bajaj Tempo Ltd. have similarly reported no increase in the prices since 1st October, 1988 except in the cas$_e$ of Matador F-305 series of vehicles being manufactured by Bajaj Tempo Ltd. in which case the final price to tbe consumers has been in-ceased from 1st October, 1988 for the reasons that the company has not bee$_n$ able to fulfil the terms and conditions for claiming concessional rate of excise duties. Manufacturers like Eicher Motor Ltd., DCM-Toyota Ltd. and Swaraj Mazada Ltd., have also reported increase of Prices of their vehicles after 1st October '88 and the reasons for the increases in price have been attributed to factors like appreciation of Japanese Yen.

(c) Manufacturers as referred to in part (a) of the question have reported the following increases in the prices of their vehicles after presentation of the Union Budget for the yea$_r$ 1988-80.

| Name of the manufacturers | Type of vehicle increased | Date on. which prices |
|---|---|---|
| *1.* Maruti Udyog Ltd. . . | All Maruti vehicles | 1-3-88 and 21-5-88 |
| 2. Hindustan Motors Ltd. . | All passenger cars | 8-4-88 |
| 3. Premier Automobiles Ltd. | All passenger cars | 29-7-88 |
| 4. Bajaj Tempo Ltd..... | All light commercial vehicles | 1-3-88 |
| | Matador F-305 series | 1-10-88 |
| 5. Allwyn Nissan Ltd. | Light Commercial vehicles | 12-8-88 |

**Butyi rubber plant at Visakhapatnam in collaboration with Soviet Union**

1209. SHRl YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Modi Rubber Limited intends to set *vp* a Butyl rubber plant at Visakhapatnam in collaboration with Central Rubber institute of the Soviet Union; and

(b) whether the proposal would be cleared as by Government as well as the Soviet Authorities by the end of this year?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and